

Remarks

Reconsideration of this Application is respectfully requested. Upon entry of the foregoing amendment, claims 1, 3-11, 13-21 and 23-30 are pending in the application, with claims 1, 11, 21, being the independent claims. By this Amendment, Applicant seeks to amend claims 1, 11 and 21. Claims 31-44 are sought to be cancelled without prejudice to or disclaimer of the subject matter therein. Claims 2, 12 and 22 were previously cancelled. These changes are believed to introduce no new matter, and their entry is respectfully requested. Based on the above amendment and the following remarks, Applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all outstanding objections and rejections and that they be withdrawn.

Rejections Under 35 U.S.C. § 103

In the final Office Action dated August 24, 2007, claims 1, 3, 4, 8, 11, 13, 14, 18, 21, 23, 28, 31, 33-35, 37-39 and 41-44 stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over U.S. Patent No. 4, 284,848 to Frost ("Frost") in view of U.S. Patent No. 5,392, 449 to Shaughnessy *et al.* ("Shaughnessy") and in further view of U.S. Patent No. 6,138,009 to Birgeson ("Birgeson"). Dependent claims 5, 6, 10, 15, 16, 20, 25, 26, 30, 32, 36 and 40 stand rejected under § 103(a) in further view of U.S. Patent No. 5,875,179 to Tiklasky ("Tiklasky"). Dependent claims 7, 9, 17, 27 and 29 stand rejected in further view of U.S. Patent Appl. No. 2002/0061763 to Weissman ("Weissman"). In view of the above amendments and claim cancellations, Applicant respectfully traverses.

Neither Frost, Shaughnessy nor Birgeson, either alone or in combination, teach or suggest a method or system for automatically establishing a new wireless coverage cell when a repeater is coupled to a switch. This defect is not corrected by either Tiklasky or

Weissman. The feature of automatically establishing a new wireless coverage cell when a repeater is coupled to a switch is recited in each of the pending independent claims 1, 11 and 21. For this reason, Applicant respectfully requests that the rejection of independent claims 1, 11 and 21 be reconsidered and withdrawn. Further, Applicant requests that the rejections of dependent claims 3-10, 13-20 and 23-30 be reconsidered and withdrawn as they depend from independently patentable base claims and in view of their own respective features. Claims 31-44 have been cancelled, thereby rendering their rejection moot.

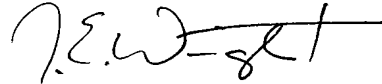
Conclusion

All of the stated grounds of rejection have been properly traversed, accommodated, or rendered moot. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner reconsider all presently outstanding objections and rejections and that they be withdrawn. Applicant believes that a full and complete reply has been made to the outstanding Office Action and, as such, the present application is in condition for allowance. If the Examiner believes, for any reason, that personal communication will expedite prosecution of this application, the Examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned at the number provided.

Prompt and favorable consideration of this Amendment and Reply is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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